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1179

Year **1179** (**MCLXXIX**) was a common year starting on Monday (link will display the full calendar) of the Julian calendar.

Millennium:	2nd millennium
Centuries:	11th century · **12th century** · 13th century
Decades:	1150s · 1160s · **1170s** · 1180s · 1190s
Years:	1176 · 1177 · 1178 · **1179** · 1180 · 1181 · 1182

1179 in various calendars

Gregorian calendar	1179 *MCLXXIX*
Ab urbe condita	1932
Armenian calendar	628 ԹՎ ՈՒԸ
Assyrian calendar	5929
Balinese saka calendar	1100–1101
Bengali calendar	586
Berber calendar	2129
English Regnal year	25 Hen. 2 – 26 Hen. 2
Buddhist calendar	1723
Burmese calendar	541
Byzantine calendar	6687–6688
Chinese calendar	戊戌年 (Earth Dog) 3875 or 3815 — *to* — 己亥年 (Earth Pig) 3876 or 3816
Coptic calendar	895–896

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By area

Middle East

- 23–30 August – Battle of Jacob's Ford, Syria: Saladin destroys the still-in-construction Castle of Chastellet at Jacob's Ford, killing 700 knights and taking 800 civilians captive.

America

- The Maya city of Chichen Itza is sacked and burned by Hunac Ceel, the Mayapan king.

Europe

- June 19 – Battle of Kalvskinnet (outside Nidaros, Norway): Earl Erling Skakke is killed, and the battle changes the tide of the civil wars.
- Afonso I is recognized as King of Portugal by Pope Alexander III, bringing Portugal the protection of the Catholic Church against the Leonese monarchy.

- November 1 – Philip II is crowned King of France. He assumes his office, however, in the next year, following the death of his father Louis VII.
- The city of Aberdeen is chartered by William the Lion.
- A large offensive, by the Almohad army in southern Portugal, aims at the reconquest of the Alentejo.[1] Further north, a fleet led by Abd Allah b. Ishaq b. Jami is sails to attack Lisbon, but is repelled by the Portuguese admiral D. Fuas Roupinho, near the Cape Espichel.[1] The Portuguese admiral later manages to enter in the harbor of Ceuta, and destroy a number of Muslim ships. It is the beginning of a four-year naval conflict between the Almohads and Portuguese.

By topic

Religion

- The Third Council of the Lateran condemns Waldensians and Cathars as heretics, institutes a reformation of clerical life, and creates the first "ghettos" for Jews. It also rules that the Pope must receive ⅔ of the cardinals' votes to be elected.
- Westminster School is founded by the monks of Westminster Abbey (by papal command) in England.
- The Drigung Kagyu school of Kagyu Buddhism is founded.

Discordian calendar	2345
Ethiopian calendar	1171–1172
Hebrew calendar	4939–4940
Hindu calendars	
- *Vikram Samvat*	1235–1236
- *Shaka Samvat*	1100–1101
- *Kali Yuga*	4279–4280
Holocene calendar	11179
Igbo calendar	179–180
Iranian calendar	557–558
Islamic calendar	574–575
Japanese calendar	Jishō 3 (治承３年)
Javanese calendar	1086–1087
Julian calendar	1179 *MCLXXIX*
Korean calendar	3512
Minguo calendar	733 before ROC 民前733年
Nanakshahi calendar	−289
Seleucid era	1490/1491 AG
Thai solar calendar	1721–1722
Tibetan calendar	阳土狗年 (male Earth-Dog) 1305 or 924 or 152 *— to —* 阴土猪年 (female Earth-Pig) 1306 or 925 or 153

Births

- April 4 - Fariduddin Ganjshakar, Islamic saint (d. 1266)
- John of Ibelin, the Old Lord of Beirut (approximate date; d. 1236)
- Michael of Chernigov (approximate date; d. 1246)
- Constance of Aragon, queen of Hungary, Holy Roman Empress (d. 1222)
- Shimazu Tadahisa, warlord of the Shimazu clan of Japan (d. 1227)
- William IV Talvas, Count of Ponthieu (d. 1221)
- Yaqut al-Hamawi, Arab geographer (d. 1229)

Deaths

- September 17 – Hildegard of Bingen, German abbess, mystic writer, and composer (b. 1098)
- Taira no Shigemori, Japanese rebel (b. 1138)
- Mudzaffar Shah I of Kedah, the first Sultan of Kedah

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Hildegard of Bingen died on September 17, 1179

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